

# Sights and Sounds of Christmas



## Fireside Egg Nog Party

Emanating the warmth of a ski lodge, the home of the James Clausons at 23401 S. Anza will take on a party air when the Torrance Jaycettes, with their husbands as guests, gather for their annual Fireside Egg Nog Party, heralding the holiday season.

Carrying out the "ski" theme, Jaycettes and their "best beaux" will don ski togs for the festive occasion, which is scheduled for 8 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 21.

A buffet of "chip and dip" foods will be set up amid holiday decorations and the "egg nog" bowl will be near the fireplace.

Guests will dance and a sing-along featuring traditional Christmas carols has been planned.

All set for the party and sampling the "egg nog" are Jaycettes, from left, Mmes. John Dunbar, David Schwartz and James Burger. (Press-Herald Photo)



## Music Fills The Air

Group singing, entertainment and Santa's visit are on schedule for South Bay Mothers of Twins' children's party, Dec. 21 at 10:30 a.m. at Grant Community Hall in Redondo. Rehearsing carols are from left, twins, Karyn and Kathryn Griffith; Mrs. L. D. Clark at piano, her sons, three year old twins, Darwin and Darrin, and Lari, 4. In charge of the party are Mmes. Thomas Webb, Jerry Steinbrecher and Leroy Cramer. Mrs. Sydney Smith is president. (Press-Herald Photo)

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## Giving Santa The Word on CDA Party

Court St. Catherine, Catholic Daughters of America, will stage its annual Christmas party for members and friends on Thursday evening, Dec. 19, at Nativity parish annex.

Highlight of the evening will be program of Christmas music and readings by Junior CDA members, the Juniorettes and talented children of court members. Games will follow awaiting the arrival of Santa with gifts for all. Refreshments will then be served.

Mrs. Joseph Walker is in charge of the program. Mrs. Thomas Murphy and Mrs. Vernon Nelson are co-chairmen for the party. They are being assisted by Misses Felice and Kathryn Shaughnessy; Mmes. Robert Aguilar, Agatha Mermis, Marie Isley, Catherine Cassidy, Nina Lovatto, Martha Gans, Ann Nicoll, Edith Owens, Lola Carey and Grace Dennis.

Mrs. Paul Labonawski, grand regent, announced that among the court's Christmas charities will be food and toys for a needy family and gifts for the Sacred Heart Orphanage in Tijuana.

Having a chat with Santa regarding the party are, standing, Mrs. Labonawski, grand regent, Mmes. Joseph Walker, Vernon Nelson and Thomas Murphy. (Press-Herald Photo)



## Yummy Sugar'n Spice

Ignoring calories and settling down to sheer enjoyment as they sample cookies at the Torrance Welcome Wagon Club's annual Christmas Cookie Exchange are, from left, Mmes. William D. Rittenhouse, Richard Maag, Leonard Scheese and Anthony Evans. Each went home with 16 varieties of holiday goodies. (Press-Herald Photo)

## Welcome Wagon Club Party

# Stars Old-Fashion Christmas Cookie

A Christmas Cookie Exchange has been chosen by the Torrance Welcome Wagon Club, composed of newcomers to the area, for a source of holiday sociability for eight consecutive years. Each guest arrives with six of each of her cookies for sampling and with four dozen for trading or exchange. Thus, when she leaves the party she has 16 varieties of choice Christmas delicacies for her holiday entertaining.

This year's party was held Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. William D. Rittenhouse, 308 Paseo de Gracia. A profusion of lighted Christmas candles set the holiday scene.

The dining table was covered with a Christmas cloth and centered by a large green candle, surrounded by the greenery embedded with ornaments and pine cones. As

each guest arrived, she placed her sampling cookies on this table. Adding to the decor, on her buffet, the hostess had a gold basket filled with gold pine cones, green ornaments and pine boughs, a door prize she had won at the club's annual dinner dance.

Coffee was served as partygoers sampled the cookies preparing for the "swapping" hour. Two guests were Mmes. James Mulder and Charles Lalpally.

Remembering the real meaning of Christmas, each member brought to the party a gift for a child at the Head Start Class at the Sunnyside Baptist Church.

½ c butter  
1 c sugar  
1 egg  
2½ c flour  
¼ tsp salt

### Orange Cookies

1 orange rind (grated)  
¼ tsp. baking soda  
½ c sour cream  
1 tsp. orange juice  
1 tbsp. baking powder

Cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Add the egg and beat until light and thick, add orange rind. Dissolve the baking soda in sour cream and add the orange juice. Sift flour with salt and baking powder. Add dry ingredients alternately with sour cream mixture to the creamed butter. Beat thoroughly until smooth. Drop by teaspoonful onto greased baking sheet 1½ inches apart. Sprinkle with sugar and bake 12 minutes in 375 degree oven. Yields six dozen small orange cookies.

### Eleventh Hour Kisses

2 egg whites  
½ c fine sugar  
½ tsp. Baking powder  
¼ tsp. salt

½ tsp. vanilla  
¾ c almonds  
(finely cut)  
1 c sliced dates

Beat egg whites until stiff but not dry; beat in sugar, ½ at a time, and baking powder. Add salt and vanilla; fold in nuts and dates. Drop mixture by teaspoonful on well greased baking sheet. Bake in a slow oven at 250 degrees for about 30 minutes. Cool for one minute after taking from the oven. Decorate while still hot with candied cherry or small piece of citron. Remove from pan with spatula. Makes three dozen.



## Scott-Pepping Vows Recited

Miss Susan Jo Scott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. Scott, 3822 W. 176th Ct., Torrance, exchanged marriage vows with Robert Anthony Pepping in a 1:30 o'clock ceremony. Nov. 23 at the St. Catherine Laboure Catholic Church.

Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. John J. Pepping of Los Angeles.

On the arm of her father, the bride came to altar wearing a long gown of silk organza fashioned with an empire bodice, short Alencon lace sleeves and a high scalloped neckline. Frosted pearls and sequins dotted the A line skirt and watteau train. An Alencon lace flower held her three tiered illusion veil and she carried a cascade of white roses, stephanotis and orchids.

Attired in moss green empire gowns, attendants were Mrs. Kathryn Scanlon, matron of honor; Misses Gayle Sandstrom, maid of honor; Mary Pepping, Maureen Monaghan and Cindy Shields, bridesmaids.

Stephen Scanlon served as best man and ushers were John Pepping, Paul Mikos, Martin Miller and Anthony Aloia.

Rev. Ignatius M. Hinkle, Franciscan teacher at Bishop Montgomery High School, officiated at the marriage as Mrs. Mary Hanf played the nuptial music. Mrs. Valerie White was soloist.

A reception was held at the Latitude 20 followed by a dinner at the home of the bride's parents. The honeymoon was spent in Carmel and San Francisco. The newlyweds are at home in Inglewood.

The bride, a graduate of Bishop Montgomery High school, is attending Marymount College at Loyola in Westchester.

The bridegroom was graduated from St. Bernard's High school and Loyola University. He is now a teacher at St. Bernard's in Playa Del Rey.